

ESSEX COUNTY, NJ

Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997

	1997	1992	1987
Farms			
Number	21	22	25
Acreage	D	613	580
Average size (acres)	D	28	23
Median size (acres)	6	N	N
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	500,251	832,964	276,480
Machinery/equip (dollars)	64,167	21,673	18,672
Cropland (acres)			
Total	165	187	394
Harvested	112	126	278
Irrigated	47	62	86
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	1,223	913	D
(dollars avg. per farm)	58,235	41,486	D
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	18,321	19,394	13,376
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	D	0	D
Beef cows	D	0	D
Milk cows	0	0	0
Hogs and pigs	D	24	D
Sheep and lambs	0	D	0
Layers 13 wks or older	D	0	D
Broilers and chicken (sold)	0	0	D
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Com, grain or seed	0	D	D
Com, silage or green chop	0	0	0
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	N
Wheat	N	N	N
Barley	N	N	N
Oats	N	N	N
Rice	N	N	N
Sunflower seed	N	N	N
Cotton	N	N	N
Tobacco	N	N	N
Soybeans	0	0	0
Dry edible beans, excl lin as	N	N	N
Potatoes, excl sweet potatoes	N	N	N
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	N
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	N
Hay-alfalfa	D	0	71
Vegetables			
Number of farms	8	9	10
Acreage	97	118	161

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O rchards			
Num ber of fam s	2	0	0
Acreage	D	0	0

Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-W withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture